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John Scali's telephone report of conversation with
Aleksandr S. Fomin of the Soviet Embassy.

Robert Manning, Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs
John Scali of ABC

The Secretary
Ambassador Thompson
Assistant Secretary Tyler
Mr. McGeorge Bundy, the White House
ACDA - Mr. Fisher

The Under Secretary

FILE

John Scali of ABC reports that at a luncheon yesterday with
Aleksandr S. Fomin of the Soviet Embassy Fomin again raised the
question, "Why doesn't Secretary of State Rusk come to Moscow?"
Scali said that Fomin, who incidentally returned only recently
from a trip to Moscow, raised the question with a great deal of
emphasis causing a

Fomin remarked several times how highly respected the
Secretary is in Moscow.

Scali said Fomin was gloomy about test ban possibilities
"crossed" the Russians on the
He maintained that
Ambassador Dean "and others" in the U.S. Government had agreed
to accept the 2 or 3 inspections but when the proposition was put
forward the Administration reneged. Scali said he doubted that
Ambassador Dean had agreed to 2 or 3 inspections but Fomin insisted
that not only Dean but others had also agreed.

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